

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An information processing apparatus managing a first service of distributing contents of a first terminal in real time according to a reservation made in advance by the first terminal, and, to a second terminal requesting the use of the first service and the use of a second service of providing a chat space, comprising:

an acquiring unit configured to acquire reservation information, sent by the first terminal, to the information processing apparatus from a reservation data base in order to provide the first service to the second terminal, the second terminal receiving a distribution notice in accordance with a second terminal address of the reservation from the information processing apparatus, the distribution notice including the authentication data;

a generation unit configured to generate the chat space corresponding to the reservation at a predetermined time prior to a distribution start time designated by the reservation; and

a providing unit configured to provide the chat space to the first terminal and the second terminal designated to be distributed by the first terminal, the second terminal accessing the chat space and distributed contents in accordance with information of the provided distribution notice.

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): An information processing apparatus according to Claim 1,

wherein the generation unit deletes the chat space a predetermined time after a distribution end time.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): An information processing method for an information processing apparatus managing a first service of distributing contents of a first terminal in real time according to a reservation made in advance by the first terminal, and, to a second terminal requesting the use of the first service and the use of a second service of providing a chat space, comprising:

acquiring reservation information, sent by the first terminal, to the information processing apparatus from a reservation data base in order to provide the first service to the second terminal, the second terminal receiving a distribution notice in accordance with a second terminal address of the reservation from the information processing apparatus, the distribution notice including the authentication data;

generating the chat space corresponding to the reservation at a predetermined time prior to a distribution start time designated by the reservation; and,

providing the chat space to the first terminal and the second terminal designated to be distributed by the first terminal, the second terminal accessing the chat space and distributed contents in accordance with information of the provided distribution notice.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): A recording medium storing a computer-readable program for an information processing apparatus managing a first service of distributing contents of a first terminal in real time according to a reservation made in advance by the first terminal, and, to a second terminal requesting the use of the first service and the use of a second service of providing a chat space, comprising:

acquiring reservation information, sent by the first terminal, to the information processing apparatus from a reservation data base in order to provide the first service to the

second terminal, the second terminal receiving a distribution notice in accordance with a second terminal address of the reservation from the information processing apparatus, the distribution notice including the authentication data;

generating the chat space corresponding to the reservation at a predetermined time prior to a distribution start time designated by the reservation; and,

providing the chat space to the first terminal and the second terminal designated to be distributed by the first terminal, the second terminal accessing the chat space and distributed contents in accordance with information of the provided distribution notice.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): A computer readable carrier including computer program instructions to cause a computer to implement a method of managing a first service of distributing contents of a first terminal in real time according to a reservation made in advance by the first terminal, and, to a second terminal requesting the use of the first service and the use of a second service of providing a chat space, comprising:

acquiring reservation information, sent by the first terminal, to the information processing apparatus from a reservation data base in order to provide the first service to the second terminal, the second terminal receiving a distribution notice in accordance with a second terminal address of the reservation from the information processing apparatus, the distribution notice including the authentication data;

generating the chat space corresponding to the reservation at a predetermined time prior to a distribution start time designated by the reservation; and,

providing the chat space to the first terminal and the second terminal designated to be distributed by the first terminal, the second terminal accessing the chat space and distributed contents in accordance with information of the provided distribution notice.